

SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 5739

As Reported by Senate Committee On:
Government Operations & Elections, February 05, 2009

Title: An act relating to renewing a concealed pistol license by members of the armed forces.

Brief Description: Revising provisions relating to renewing a concealed pistol license by members of the armed forces.

Sponsors: Senators King, Hobbs, Holmquist, Kastama, Swecker, Sheldon, Morton, Shin, Berkey and Honeyford.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Government Operations & Elections: 2/05/09 [DP].

SENATE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS & ELECTIONS

Majority Report: Do pass.

Signed by Senators Fairley, Chair; Oemig, Vice Chair; Roach, Ranking Minority Member; McDermott, Pridemore and Swecker.

Staff: Edward Redmond (786-7471)

Background: A concealed pistol license (CPL) is required when an individual carries a pistol concealed on his or her person. The fee for an initial CPL is \$36 plus additional charges imposed by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and it is valid for five years. The renewal fee for a CPL is \$32, and an application for renewal may be made up to 90 days before or after the expiration date of the CPL. A renewal made after the expiration of the CPL carries a \$10 penalty in addition to the renewal fee. A licensee that has not renewed the CPL within 90 days after the expiration period must reapply for a new license.

Summary of Bill: The \$10 penalty, for renewal of a CPL after expiration, does not apply to members of the armed forces who are serving outside the state of Washington when his or her CPL expires. Application for renewal must be made within 90 days of returning to Washington State.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

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Committee/Commission/Task Force Created: No.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

Staff Summary of Public Testimony: PRO: The main purpose of this bill is to give our military personnel, once they return from out-of-state service, the opportunity to renew their CPL without having to go through the whole process of getting a new permit.

Persons Testifying: PRO: Senator King, prime sponsor.